

**BOARD OF SELECTPERSON**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**July 18, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER:

John opened the Select Board with the flag salute at 7:00PM

SELECT BOARD IN ATTENDANCE:

John Medici, Ron Smith, Katie Proctor, Gil Harris, Wade Andrews

ATTENDEES:

Dottie Richard, Alesha Buzzell, Cheryl Edgerly, Gail Libby, Steve McLean, Jessica Smith, Kristen Carll, Joe Parsons, Vinnie Pelletier, Stan Hackett, Joanne Andrews, Ray Bishop, Mike McLean, Meghan Knowlton

MINUTES:

Approve minutes of July 6th meeting: Ron **motioned** to approve the minutes; Katie **seconded**; **all** were in favor.

WARRANT:

Motion to accept warrants: Gil **motioned** to accept the warrants; Katie **seconded**; **all** were in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Read Announcements: Ron read the announcements

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

**Stanley Hackett, CEO:**

Building Permits Issued for the month: 15

Plumbing Permits: 4

SSWD Permits: 4

Certificates Occupancy/Completion: 14

Notice Letters Sent: 0

Complaints: 0

Violations: 3

Revenue: June \$8,463.44, YTD: \$76,065.38

Did a walk through at Town Hill Grille- a few more minor issues to correct and are hoping to open the first week of August.

Junkyard Violation on Locust Hill-14 ATVs, lawn mowers and snowmobiles were removed, 12 pickup truck loads to the transfer station, 4 loads of scrap metal to CIA, and 17 vehicles removed from property.

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State of Maine Department of Marijuana Enforcement-visited a current caregiver, reviewed violations, and the understanding of what is allowed and what is enforced by the State versus the town. The new marijuana laws will be easier to enforce if the town appoints a constable because the sheriff office is overwhelmed. Moving forward this would be a good idea for the town in many ways.

Tiny Home Violation- will be removed by crane the first week of August, the DEP, EPA and NRPA will do a site review after to see if there is any revegetation that needs to be addressed and they will fine if necessary.

Solar Farm Permit Fees- Fees are based on the entire cost of the building and commission to the project. The cost of the Doles Ridge Road solar farm is around \$16,550,000.00 making the permit fees around \$115,000.00. They have currently only paid \$35,000. They did submit new paperwork that now has the cost of the project at \$13,000,000 making the permit fees around \$95,000. They still owe the town an approximate \$60,000.

E911 Numbers- Stan cannot express enough the need to have visible numbers at your house for all emergency personnel to be able to find your home if an emergency arises.

#### **Ray Bishop, EMA Director:**

Requested signatures of the Board for the York County Mitigation Plan. Adoption of this plan will help the county if a natural or man- made disaster occurs. The plan will help lessen the impacts of these disasters which will save resources and properties. Gil **motioned** to sign the plan, Wade **seconded**, **all** in favor.

#### **Joanne Andrews, Transfer Station:**

She was able to lock into metal sales at \$100 a ton as the metal sales has significantly decreased. They took 31.17 tons of metal so the transfer station should be receiving a check for \$3,117.00. The \$100 is \$70 less than the shipment from February.

Ecomaine- The transfer station collects \$10 a mattress right now and all those funds go directly to Ecomaine. As of August 1<sup>st</sup>, EcoMaine will be going to \$15.00 a mattress and that does not cover tipping fees and as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, they have voted to charge \$25.00 a mattress.

Brush charges- 6ft pickup is \$10, 8ft pickup is \$12, 4 x 8 trailer is \$15 and 5 x 10 trailer are \$25. They are no longer accepting trailers bigger than 6 x 12.

The transfer station added a third container, Mellen picks up two which is a part of the contract. An older container was turned into an extra household container for trash as there has been a substantial increase in household trash. Mellen is also no longer accepting the large containers from the public unless what is in them is bagged. It must be bagged at the transfer station as well.

#### **Joe Parsons, Recreation Director:**

Soccer registrations are now open, \$40 for the season. They will be looking for coaching and volunteers, if you coach then your kid would play for free.

Family Fun Day is scheduled for August 6<sup>th</sup> from 9-3pm.

Guinevere Sampson is stepping down for her role in the department and Joe would like to swear in Kristen Carll as the Assistant Recreation Director. The stipend will be \$500. John would like a motion to accept Kristen Carll as the Assistant Recreation Director for the remainder of the year with a \$500 stipend. Gil **motioned**, Wade **seconded**, **all** in favor.

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There was discussion about signage and doing uniformity in colors for all town signs. If signs were added to Boy Scout Island, etc. that all signs would be the same color scheme. There has also been some chatter of wanting to dedicate the ball field in memory of some townspeople. This is an idea that can be discussed later as the ballpark is being revamped.

The Recreation Department would like to get cameras installed at the ballpark. There have been several issues of vandalism. There is an issue of Wi-Fi but there is a necessary need to get them. Solar cameras could be an option. Ron also has some donated Ring cameras if they want to use them. The Rec Department will check into a few options with Spectrum. Alesha will check with Laura about the town cell phone plan for internet option. More discussion to come.

#### **Vinnie Pelletier, Fire Chief:**

Monthly Report for June- total calls were 50, 10 were Fire and 40 were EMS, 9 mutual.

Budget update- everything is as expected.

Holiday Pay- Holiday pay ends at midnight. We need to resolve this so the incentive to work the whole holiday and not when the holiday ends at midnight. Gil will reach out to Laura and see if there are some guidelines she is following and how we can change it. There are three affected holidays.

The fire department needs to purchase turnout gear. Vinnie would like to order the gear as it can take up to 15 weeks to come in. Each set is \$3,000 and Vinnie has \$9,000 to purchase three. Gil will check with Laura on the fire department donation money and if there is any stipulation on how they can spend it. John believes Vinnie can use these funds to purchase all of the turnout gears he needs at the time.

ISO training software- This will help offer online training support for members who could not attend in person but can do it online as addition to other training programs. This should help with the overall ISO Rating. They are doing an in-service on this program next week and hope to have it up and running by the first of August. This program has a lot to offer.

#### **Old Business:**

Fire Building Update- They should receive some paperwork from Great Falls by the first of August. They are hoping bids will start coming in sometime in August so they can set up a public hearing and it will be able to be on the November ballot.

Town Gazebo- nothing new, will continue to update.

DOJ Meeting- They went over the list of items that need to be corrected at BTH. The town attorney has reviewed the legal part and she is ok with it. The physical part of the list had some areas of concerns and questions. There are a few minor things to do in the parking lot. We need a van accessible handicap sign which has been ordered. In the handicap section we need to get the weeds out of the cracks and fill the cracks in. The cement that goes to the parking lot from the ramp has approximately 7 inches or so where it is just dirt and that does not meet. The first 8-10 feet of the ramp does not meet the grade and will need to be removed. There was some confusion from the letter on the granite threshold. They took pictures and were sending out to the DOJ in Washington to get some clarification. John will reach out to Jason for some knowledge and see if he can come take a look at it. The Board believes it will be best to do the project in sections.

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Changing of Payroll Company and Digital Time Tracking Update- Gil will continue to update, there is no new update. Gil is still waiting on the proposal.

Legal Accounts- Legal bill for June was \$1,852.50.

FOAA Request- One from CIA Salvage's Attorney.

Deed Work for Tibbetts Park- Wade will follow up with Mike LaLonde for an update.

Update on Allaire Drive and the two Business Park Lots- We need to get the purchase and sale agreements for the Business Park Lots together. We need to make a preliminary list for the Allaire Drive purchase for the buyer. More discussion next week.

Maine DOT letter on Doles Ridge Road- Waiting to hear back from the DOT after John contacted them to reconsider posting the whole road at 45MPH. If they decide to change it, then they will get back in touch with the town.

Policy Review- Agenda Policy for Select Board Meetings and Command Vehicle Policy will be signed at end of meeting for final copies.

Policy Review- Hearing of Citizens- Alesha will send PDF to the Board so they may make changes online to it.

Policy Review- Electronic signatures- move to next meeting.

Town Charter Update- We will move this item to the next meeting. We will need 6 people for a committee come March.

Sign for Elm and Range E Road- Signs have been ordered through RSD Graphics in Waterboro. They will be installed once they come in. They should be done any day.

Leaf Blower Purchase-All items have been purchased and have come in. The charger and battery were donated.

Family Fun Day at the Ball Park- The date is August 6<sup>th</sup> from 9-3pm. All proceeds to benefit the Recreation Department.

Track Update at Ball Park- Ron is currently putting this project on hold until cameras have been installed.

Update on electrician for Safety Inspection Report- Alesha will reach out to the electrician for an update.

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Business Park Lot Paving Update- The new bid is \$56,500.00. John would like to make a recommendation to accept the proposal for \$56,500.00 to get the portion of the Business Park lot paved. John would like to a motion that we approve this proposal and accept the contract and use the money in the Business Park fund, Wade **motioned**, Ron **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Bids- Mowing, Sidewalk plowing, Town owned property plowing- Wade is going to handle mowing, Ron will take on sidewalk plowing, and John will review the town owned property plowing. More discussion next week.

Ron mentioned that there are a lot of weeds growing in the sidewalks and we should take care of them. John asked Ron to mention it to the mowing contract company to see if they can take care of it and how much it would be.

#### New Business:

Department Heads Schedule- Alesha will keep an agenda for further discussion and she will also reach out to the water/sewer department to see if they would be willing to come in monthly or every other month for updates.

Approve catering application for Baxter Brewing Company at Woodlands Disc Golf- this needed approval on an off week so the Board members came in and signed the application. John looked for a motion to reaffirm the approval of the application for the Baxter Brewing Company for the Woodlands Disc Golf tournament, Wade **motioned**, Ron **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Budget Preparation- We need to look at how we are going to handle the preparations. John would like the Board to sit in on the Budget Committee meetings. Everyone would hear all the information at the same time and could make decisions together. All agreed that this would be most beneficial.

Oil and Propane Bid- Alesha will find the previous bid and send to all Board members to review and have it ready for next week.

CMP- Agreement for Street Lighting- There were two lights left off the original contract, so the Board Chair needs to resign the new contract. John looking for a motion to accept the street lighting agreement for poles 801 and 531 for CMP, Gil **motioned**, Ron **seconded**, **all** in favor.

Disciplinary forms from fire department- Vinnie would like these forms reviewed by the town attorney. John will forward to the town attorney.

#### HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Gail Libby- will add blinking stop sign concern to the corner of Quarry Road, Emery Corner Road and Pickerel Pond Road to the agenda for next week.

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ADJOURN MEETING: Katie **motioned** to adjourn; Ron **seconded**; **all** were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.

These minutes were approved by the Limerick Board of Selectmen on: Monday, August 1, 2022

End of Broadcast

Respectfully submitted,

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Alesha Buzzell

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